GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5500
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APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIALS IN INDIAN EMBASSIES MISSIONS
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to appoint more officials in Indian Embassies and Missions abroad;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the current staff in each of the Indian Embassies and Missions abroad, cadre-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH)

(a), (b) & (c) : Staffing pattern in each of the Indian Missions/Posts abroad is constantly monitored by the Ministry taking into account the quantum of work and other related aspects. Hence, number of officers and staff in our Missions/Posts abroad, keeps on changing from time to time. However, the overall number of posts abroad in each category of staff remains within the total sanctioned strength which is shown in the attached Annexure.

Annexure

CADRE STRENGTH OF MEA OFFICERS/OFFICIALS IN INDIAN MISSIONS/POSTS ABROAD AS ON 30.06.2001

S. No. Cadre/Post No. of Posts in Missions/Posts

A) IFS(A)

1. Grade I of IFS (Secretary) 22

2. Grade II of IFS (Addl.Secretary) 27

3. Grade III of IFS (Joint Secretary) 109

4. Grade IV of IFS (Director) 98

5. Jr.Admn. Grade/Sr/Scale (Deputy/Under Secretary) 134
6. Jr.Scale of IFS (Under Secretary/Probationer) 39

B) IFS(B)

7. Grade I of IFS(B) (Under Secretary) 98

8. Grade II/III of IFS(B) (Section Officer) 174

9. Grade IV of IFS(B) (Assistant) 404
10. Grade V/VI of IFS(B) (UDC/LDC) 193
11. Grade II of Cypher Cadre (Cypher Assistant) 141

12. Private Secretary 198
13. Personal Assitant 193
14. Stenographer 77

C) Other Categories

15. Group `D` staff (Peons etc.) 51
16. Chauffeurs 62
17. Security Guards 291